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Sir:

Applicant wishes to advise the United States Patent and Trademark Office that a Declaration was filed on May 21, 2002, to perfect Applicant's filing requirements.

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evidence of Applicant's previous submission Declaration in connection with the present application, Applicant encloses a copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney, filed May

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21, 2002, and a copy of the postcard indicating receipt of the Declaration by the U.S.P.T.O.

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The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

• Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

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